

Missouri
Department of Corrections
Office of Victim Services
573-526-6516
Monday - Friday • 8:00^{am} to 5:00^{pm}

MOCASA
Missouri Coalition
Against Sexual Assault
1-877-7MOCASA
1-877-766-2272

MCADV
Missouri Coalition
Against Domestic Violence
1-573-634-4161

MOVA Network
Missouri Victim Assistance Network
1-800-698-9199

MADD
Mothers Against Drunk Driving
1-800-746-MADD
1-800-736-6233

Crime Victims Compensation Fund
1-800-347-6881

To send information to the
MODOC Office of Victim Services,
please use the following address:

Larry Crawford, Department Director
Kay Crockett, Victim Services Coordinator

Office of Victim Services
1511 Christy Drive
Jefferson City, MO 65101

What Crime Victims Need to Know

RSMo 595.209 ensures that the victim receive notification and is invited to participate in specific matters pertaining to that offender in the custody of the Missouri Department of Corrections (MODOC).

Victim Notification

As the victim of an offense, you are entitled to and may request notification of the offender's custody status. If you do, you will be notified of parole hearings, hearing results, release to the community, escape and death.



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Victims

It is your responsibility to inform the Office of Victim Services of any changes in your address or notification information to ensure timely notifications continue to be provided.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Office of Victim Services at the number provided on the back of this pamphlet. Also provided are numbers for victim service referral agencies which may be helpful.

Definition of a Victim

Per RSMo 595.209...A victim is, “a natural person who suffers direct or threatened physical, emotional or financial harm, as the result of the commission or attempted commission of a crime. The term victim also includes the family members of a minor, incompetent or a homicide victim.”

Per RSMO 595.209..A family member is, “a spouse, child, sibling, parent, grandparent or legal guardian of a victim.”

Victim Rights

During the parole hearing process, a victim has certain rights:

- You may attend the hearing and present information regarding parole consideration.
- At the hearing, you may give a statement in the presence of the offender or to the hearing panel without the offender present.
- Also, if you choose not to have the offender present during your statement, you have the options to leave without seeing the offender, or stay and listen to the offender’s portion of the hearing.
- You may call, write, or send a video cassette or audio tape to the Board rather than attend the hearing.
- You may have a personal meeting with a Board member at the Central Office located in Jefferson City.

If you choose to attend the hearing, you will have to travel to the institution at which the offender is incarcerated at your own expense. Directions to the institution will be provided. Institutional security measures require that you bring a photo ID (driver’s license) to the hearing. Be advised, you are entering a prison and may be subject to a security search by institutional staff. If you require special accommodations, please notify the OVS in advance.

You will be met by institutional parole staff who will explain the hearing procedure and answer questions you may have following the hearing. The information you provide to the Board is important and will help determine whether an offender will be released on parole, when the release will occur, and the type of supervision required upon release. You may request special conditions be placed upon the offender’s release orders; ie: No Contact of Victim (or family).